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In re Patent Application of:

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For: PRINT HEAD AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS INCLUDING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT/ ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species requesting that Applicant elect a single distinct species for prosecution on the merits, the Applicant respectfully elects:

Species A – Figures 2, 3A, 3B and 4.

With respect to the claims readable on the elected species, Applicant points out to the Examiner that since none of the present claims 1-10 contains recitations specific to the particulars of any of the head substrate variations of Species A-D, claims 1-10 are subgeneric to all of the variations of Species A-D, such that all of claims 1-10 should be examined.

If the Examiner believes that there is any issue which could be resolved by a telephone or personal interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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Response to Restriction Requirement/Election of Species

The Applicants hereby petition for any extensions of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee for such an extension is to be charged to Deposit Account 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

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